Credit Rating and Scoring Models

Advances in Theory and Application

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Monday, 17 May

11:00am - 1:00pm On-Site Registration

> 1:30pm Welcome

C. Erik Larson (OCC)

Opening Remarks

John D. Hawke Jr., Comptroller of the Currency

2:00pm - 4:30pm

SESSION I: Perspectives on the State of Credit Modeling

Chair: C. Erik Larson (OCC)

"The Interest of Bank Supervisors in Credit Rating"

Jeffrey Brown (OCC)

"Creating Standards for Risk Assessment: Lessons from the FICO Score"

Hollis Fishelson-Holstine (Fair Isaac Corp.)

"Frontiers of Credit Scoring"

Jonathan Crook (Edinburgh)

"Credit Modeling in the Banking Industry"

Kyle Lundstedt (VaRisk)

5:30pm - 7:00pm Cocktail & Hors D'oeuvres Reception

Tuesday, 18 May

7:15am Continental Breakfast

8:00am - 9:45am
SESSION II: Methodological Innovations in Rating and Scoring

Chair: Nicholas Kiefer (OCC and Cornell)

"Estimating Loan Transition Probabilities Using an Information Theoretic Approach"

Dennis Glennon (OCC) "Auctioning Experts in Credit Modeling"

Robert Stine (Wharton)

"Quantile-Based Methods for Credit Scoring"

Halbert White (UC San Diego and Bates-White LLC)

and Robert Lieli (UC San Diego)

Discussant: Gary Wilhite (Wachovia)

10:00am - 11:45am
SESSION III: Frontiers of Applied Corporate
Credit Modeling

Chair: PC Venkatesh (OCC)

"Forecasting Default with the KMV-Merton Model"

Tyler Shumway (Michigan)

"Credit Risk and Risk-Neutral Default Probabilities"

Robert Geske (UCLA)

"Valuing Callable Corporate Bonds in a Reduced Form Model Using a Call Intensity Process"

Chunchi Wu (Syracuse)

Discussant: Jorge Sobehart (Citigroup)

12:00pm - 1:20pm Luncheon

1:30pm - 3:15pm SESSION IV: Understanding Reject Inference Chair: Jeffrey Brown (OCC)

"Statistical and Conceptual Issues in Credit Scoring"
Nicholas Kiefer (Cornell and OCC)

"Reject Inference for Consumer Credit Scoring"

Ad Feelders (Universiteit Utrecht)

"Reject Inference in Small Business Lending Underwriting Models"

Elbert Chen (Wells Fargo)

Discussant: Dennis Ash (Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia)

3:30pm - 5:15pm SESSION V: Key Issues in Severity Modeling

Chair: Mitchell Stengel (OCC)

"Defaulted Debt Prices, Ultimate Recoveries, and Systematic Risk of Defaulted Debt"

Mark Carey and Michael Gordy (Federal Reserve Board of Governors)

"Modeling Loss Given Default - A Practitioner's Perspective"

Michel Araten (JPMorgan/Chase)

6:45pm - 10:00pm Cocktails and Banquet

Conference Keynote Speaker: Bruce Lehmann (UC San Diego)

Wednesday, 19 May

7:15am Continental Breakfast

8:00am - 9:45am
SESSION VI: Using Scoring Tools to
Enhance Profitability

Chair: M. Nazmul Hasan (OCC)

"Optimization of Early Stage Collections"

Adam Lin (Bank One)

"Line Assignment Optimization" Frank Zhao (JPMorgan/Chase)

"Managing Credit Lines and Prices for Bank One Credit Cards"

Shane P. Pederson (Bank One)

Discussant: Robert Avery (Federal Reserve Board of Governors)

10:00am - 11:45am
SESSION VII: Understanding the Dynamics of Ratings

Chair: Dennis Glennon (OCC)

"Corporate Credit Risk Modeling and the Macro Economy"

Tor Jacobson (Svergies Riksbank)

"Modeling Mortgage Default and Prepayment as Competing Risks"

Arden Hall and Stewart Brown (Wells Fargo)

"Testing Simple Markov Structures for Credit Rating Transitions"

C. Erik Larson (OCC)

Discussant: Sunil Sharma (IMF Institute)

12:00pm - 1:20pm Luncheon

1:30pm - 3:45pm SESSION VIII: Model Validation Methodologies

Chair: C. Erik Larson (OCC)

"Validating Forecasts of the Joint Probability Distribution of Bond Yields: Can Affine Models Beat Random Walk?"

Yongmiao Hong (Cornell)

"Cross-Validation Approaches to Model Validation"

Peter Abken (Bank of America)

"Good Practice in Retail Credit Scorecard Assessment"

David Hand (Imperial College, London)

Discussant: Mark Levonian (Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco)

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Panel Discussion: What Have We Learned?

Panel Members:

Nicholas Kiefer (Cornell)

Martin O'Connor (Experian - SCOREX)

William Lang (Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia)
Ashish Dev (KeyCorp)

Balvinder Sangha (Ernst & Young)

Tentative Program Organizing Committee Co-Chairs

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